

Listing of Claims

Claims 1-76 (canceled)

77. (currently amended) In a collapsible fish-landing net apparatus of the type including a telescoping handle, a foldable frame, and a net on the frame, the improvement comprising:

- the handle being formed by a plurality of telescoping sections, a net-adjacent one of which has a distal end facing the net;
- the frame being secured to ~~one of the~~ net-adjacent telescoping sections section; and
- an LED illuminator for illuminating the net, all of the illuminator being disposed in the distal end of the net-adjacent section, ~~handle~~ facing the net and remote from the opposite end of the handle, the illuminator including:
 - a light body secured to the distal end of the net-adjacent section ~~handle~~, the light body having a net-facing lens-engaging end and a single ~~an~~ inner recess;
 - at least one light-emitting diode (LED) secured within the inner recess;
 - at least one battery secured within the inner recess for electric power to the LED; and
 - a switch ~~lens~~ secured ~~with respect to the lens-engaging end of the light body~~ for on/off switching of electric power to the LED.

78. (currently amended) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 77 wherein the switch ~~lens~~ is secured ~~with respect to the lens-engaging end of the light body~~ by a rotary-switch lens cap having a first end engaging a lens and an opposite second end rotatably attached to the net-facing lens-engaging end of the light body ~~for on/off switching of electric power to the LED~~ and having a light passage portion therethrough.

79. (previously presented) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 78 wherein the LED illuminator is adapted for changing the light brightness level by rotating the rotary switch, the illuminator further including:

- a plurality of switch positions corresponding to a plurality of brightness levels accessed by rotating the rotary switch lens; and
- an illumination level control adapting the LED to the plurality of brightness levels corresponding to the plurality of switch positions.

80. (previously presented) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 77 wherein the frame has at least one surface facing the LED and having a reflective portion.

81. (previously presented) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 80 wherein the reflective portion is one of reflective tape and reflective coating.

82. (previously presented) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 81 wherein the reflective portion contains fluorescent pigment.

83. (previously presented) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 82 wherein the surface of the frame further includes an optical filter for filtering light emitted by an excitation of the fluorescent pigment.

84. (previously presented) The fish-landing net apparatus of claim 80 herein the light body is further adapted for focusing a light beam emitted from the illuminator on the reflective portion.

85. (cancelled)

86. (currently amended) In a fish-landing net apparatus of the type including a net on a frame secured to a handle with a light thereon, the improvement comprising:

- the light being an LED illuminator for illuminating the net, all of the illuminator being disposed in the distal end of the handle, facing the net and remote from the opposite end of the handle, the illuminator including:
 - a light body disposed in a frame-adjacent end of the handle, the light body having a net-facing lens cap-engaging end; and
 - a rotary switch secured to lens cap ~~having a first end engaging a lens and an opposite second end rotatably attached to the lens cap-engaging end of the light~~ body for on/off switching of electric power to the LED.

87-90 (cancelled)

91. (currently amended) In a fish-landing net apparatus of the type including a handle, a frame connected thereto and a net on the frame, the improvement comprising:

- the handle having a distal end facing the net; and
- an LED illuminator for illuminating the net, all of the illuminator being disposed in the distal end of the handle, facing the net and remote from the opposite end of the handle, the illuminator including:
 - a light body secured to the distal end of the handle, the light body having a net-facing lens-engaging end and ~~[[an]]~~ a single inner recess;
 - at least one light-emitting diode (LED) secured within the inner recess;
 - at least one battery secured within the inner recess for electric power to the LED;
 - and
 - a lens secured with respect to the net-facing lens-engaging end of the light body.